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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the Application of: **Hiroshi HASHIMOTO et al.**

Group Art Unit: **2814**

Serial No.: **10/083,533**

Examiner: **Thao X. Le**

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For: **SEMICONDUCTOR INTEGRATED CIRCUIT DEVICE INCLUDING  
A SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE HAVING A STABLE THRESHOLD  
CHARACTERISTIC (As Amended)**

Attorney Docket Number: **020244**

Customer Number: **38834**

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Date: May 2, 2005

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 22, 2005, Applicants amend the claims as follows and submit the following remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 13 of this paper.